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## **Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following amended paragraph:

[0001] This application is a U.S. National Stage application of International Patent Application No. PCT/US03/18004, filed on June 6, 2003, which claims the benefit of the filing date of the following Provisional U.S. Patent Applications:

A Method and System for Multiline Transmission in a Communications System, U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/387,303, filed on June 7, 2002;

A Method and System for Multiline Transmission in a Communications System, U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/398,860, filed on July 25, 2002;

An Analog Front End (AFE) Circuit that Improves Echo Rejection in Communications Systems, U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/387,098, filed on June 7, 2002; and

Vectoring Techniques for Multi-Line Communication Systems, U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/403,874, filed on August 16, 2002.